

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Applicant:	BASTESEN <i>et al.</i>)	INFORMATION
)	DISCLOSURE
Int'l Appl. No.:	U.S. National Stage of)	<u>STATEMENT</u>
	PCT/IB2004/001762)	
Int'l Filing Date:	May 28, 2004)	
)	
Appln. No.:	To Be Assigned)	
)	26694
Appln. Filing Date:	November 28, 2005)	U.S. PATENT AND
)	TRADEMARK OFFICE
For:	A SPOOL PIECE TERMINATION)	
	STRUCTURE, A CONNECTION)	
	ARRANGEMENT COMPRISING)	
	SUCH A TERMINATION)	
	STRUCTURE AND A PIPELINE)	
	TERMINATION)	
)	
Atty. Dkt.:	51402-224463)	<u>November 28, 2005</u>

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

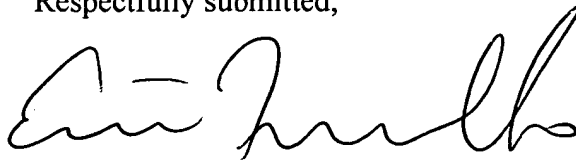
Sir:

Enclosed is a PTO-1449 and copies of references cited therein.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 4/23/05



Eric J. Franklin, Registration No. 37,134
VENABLE
P.O. Box 34385
Washington, D.C. 20043-9998
Telephone: (202) 344-4936

Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box →

+

PTO/SB/08A (08-00)

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Complete if Known

10/558272

Sheet 1 of 1

Attorney Docket Number 51402-224463

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials *	Cite No. ¹	U.S. Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number	Kind Code ² (if known)			
	1	4,019,334	A	SINCLAIR et al.	04/26/1977	
	2	5,433,482	A	BADDOUR	07/18/1995	
	3	5,458,440	A	VAN HELVOIRT	10/17/1995	
	4	6,142,708	A	TARLTON et al.	11/07/2000	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials *	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document			Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM- DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ₆
		Office ³	Number ⁴	Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				
	5	EP	0733843	A1		09/25/1996		
	6	GB	2323907	A		10/07/1998		

OTHER PRIOR ART -- NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials *	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ²

Examiner
SignatureDate
Considered

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Unique citation designation number. ² See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

VENABLE
ATTORNEYS AT LAW